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Offered by:

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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 203

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Cal. No. 205

"AN ACT CONCERNING PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS FOR RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES."

- 1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
- 2 following in lieu thereof:
- 3 "Section 1. Subdivision (57) of section 12-81 of the general statutes is
- repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from 4
- 5 passage and applicable to assessment years commencing on and after October
- 1, 2013): 6
- 7 (57) [(a)] (A) Any Class I renewable energy source, as defined in
- 8 section 16-1, or [any] hydropower facility described in subdivision (27)
- 9 of subsection (a) of section 16-1, installed for the generation of
- 10 electricity for private residential use or on a farm, as defined in
- 11 subsection (q) of section 1-1, provided such installation occurs on or
- 12 after October 1, 2007, and further provided such installation is for a
- 13 single family dwelling, a multifamily dwelling consisting of two to
- 14 four units or a farm, or any passive or active solar water or space
- 15 heating system or geothermal energy resource;

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16 (B) For assessment years commencing on and after October 1, 2013, 17 any Class I renewable energy source, as defined in section 16-1, 18 hydropower facility described in subdivision (27) of subsection (a) of 19 section 16-1, or solar thermal or geothermal renewable energy source, 20 installed primarily for on-site generation or displacement of electricity, 21 provided (i) such installation occurs on or after January 1, 2010, (ii) 22 such installation is for commercial or industrial purposes, and (iii) 23 such source or facility is located in a distressed municipality, as 24 defined in section 32-9p, with a population between one hundred 25 twenty-five thousand and one hundred thirty-five thousand;

- 26 (C) For assessment years commencing on and after October 1, 2013, 27 any municipality may, upon approval by its legislative body or in any 28 town in which the legislative body is a town meeting, by the board of 29 selectmen, abate up to one hundred per cent of property tax for any Class I renewable energy source, as defined in section 16-1, 30 31 hydropower facility described in subdivision (27) of subsection (a) of 32 section 16-1, or solar thermal or geothermal renewable energy source, 33 installed primarily for on-site generation or displacement of electricity, 34 provided (i) such installation occurs between January 1, 2010, and 35 December 31, 2013, (ii) such installation is for commercial or industrial 36 purposes, and (iii) such source or facility shall not be located in a 37 municipality (I) described in subparagraph (B) of this subdivision or 38 (II) with a population under fifty thousand;
- 39 (D) For assessment years commencing on and after October 1, 2014, any Class I renewable energy source, as defined in section 16-1, 40 41 hydropower facility described in subdivision (27) of subsection (a) of 42 section 16-1, or solar thermal or geothermal renewable energy source, 43 installed primarily for on-site generation or displacement of electricity, 44 provided (i) such installation occurs on or after January 1, 2014, (ii) is 45 for commercial or industrial purposes and (iii) such source or facility shall not be located in a municipality with a population under fifty 46 47 thousand;
- [(b)] (E) Any person claiming the exemption provided in this

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subdivision for any assessment year shall, on or before the first day of November in such assessment year, file with the assessor or board of assessors in the town in which such hydropower facility, Class I renewable energy source, solar thermal or geothermal renewable energy source or passive or active solar water or space heating system or geothermal energy resource is located, a written application claiming such exemption. Failure to file such application in the manner and form as provided by such assessor or board within the time limit prescribed shall constitute a waiver of the right to such exemption for such assessment year. Such application shall not be required for any assessment year following that for which the initial application is filed, provided if such hydropower facility, Class I renewable energy source, solar thermal or geothermal renewable energy source or passive or active solar water or space heating system or geothermal energy resource is altered in a manner which would require a building permit, such alteration shall be deemed a waiver of the right to such exemption until a new application, applicable with respect to such altered source, is filed and the right to such exemption is established as required initially;"

| This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections: | | |
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| Section 1 | from passage and applicable to assessment years commencing on and after October 1, 2013 | 12-81(57) |

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